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## Apostle Islands News Release

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### Apostle Islands National Lakeshore Opens portions of Oak Island

The National Park Service (NPS) is pleased to announce that the temporary closures in place on Oak Island due to bear activity have been lifted.

The camping zone, sites 2, 3, 4 and the Northwest beach trail are now open.

The loop trail on Oak Island is still closed due to storm damage. The closure extends from Site 1 to the intersection with the overlook trail.

This closure was necessary to ensure visitor safety due to dangerous bear activity. Park staff made repeated attempts to identify the bear with limited success.

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore Superintendent Bob Krumenaker said "Due to the lack of bear activity in visitor use areas, island monitoring efforts, and having had no reports of further visitor or employee bear conflicts I am terminating the temporary closure and opening the portions of Oak Island that were closed to visitor access and activities due to bear activity."

If you have any questions about the opening, or the remaining closure, call 715-779-3397 ext. 1801.